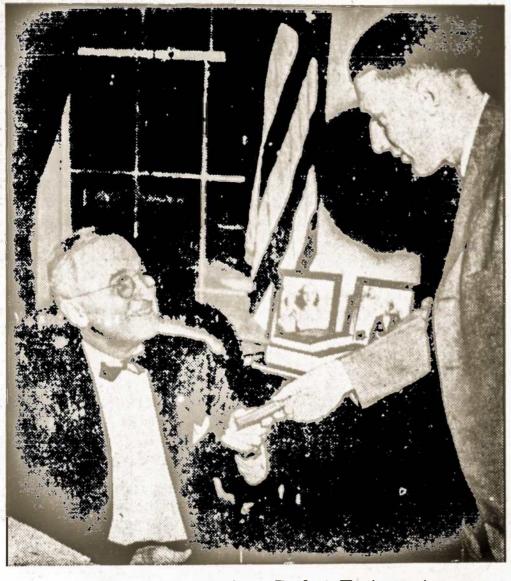
# The Northfield Press

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President Receives Pocket Testament

President Harry S. Truman is presented with a pocket New Testament by Augustus W. Bennet, M.C. from New York acting in behalf of the Pocket Testament League at his office in the White House in Washington.

The organization of the Pocket Testament League and its record of accomplishments is highly esteemed ment, the property known as the by many residents of this town and Merriman house on Main Street at particularly those of the summer colony. Its beginnings brings to remembrance the name of Charles N. Alexander who for many years was associated with the Summer conferences and whose name is oft in remembrance by those who knew and loved him. His wife founded the League and through the years has devoted herself unselfishly toward its purposes. Mrs. Helen Alexander-Dixon is at present at her home in Birmingham, England and keeps in vital touch with conditions throughout the world. Miss J. A. Johnson, the secretary of the League at its office in New York is a summer resident of Northfield and she and her sister Ruth are enjoying their cottage on Rustic Ridge. Through the courtesy of Miss Johnson we have been privileged to read a recent letter from Mrs. Alexander-Dixon which describes the conditions in England and throughout Europe, appalling as it may be but with the hope that the local rationing board recently re-Christin way of living will survive. signed to accept a position with the Little did Mr. and Mrs. Alexander purchasing department of the Norththink when they first launched the field Schools. The change was effec-League that it would grow into a tive August 13. Mrs. Kehl is sucworld-wide movement with more than ceeded by Mrs. Robert Abbott who eight million members, still growing has served for some time as assistand all possessing a copy of the lit- ant. The membership of the board retle pocket Testament. The letter of mains the same although the work Mrs. Alexander-Dixon will be read is gradually decreasing and will end by many as it passes in circulation with the elimination of the OPA and the editor thanks Miss Johnson Charles L. Johnson is chairman of the for the copy and thanks Miss Mary board. Frank of Madison, N. J. a guest in Northfield for providing the photo Mrs. Mary Jurkowski

### Miss Holbrook Died

Rustic Ridge meeting, was that Miss Grace Holbrook of Worcester, owner and came to America in 1911. With of Holbrook cottage on West Lane and for many years a summer resident here, had died after a long lingering illness in the hospital Febru- are one son, John, Jr. at home, four ary 24th of this year. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Worcester and an active Christian Mrs. Bernard Noga of Turners Falls: worker in its many organizations. Miss Holbrook was 67 years of age There are two grandchildren. and was the daughter of DeWitt Funeral services were held at her Clinton and Maria (Thayer) Hol- home on Tuesday morning followed brook. Funeral services were held and by a high mass of requiem at St. burial was in the family plot in Rural Patricks church of which she was a cemetery in Worcester. Surviving are devoted member. Burial was in St. several cousins.

### Sold At Low Figure

As announced by public advertisethe corner of Pine Street was auctioned together with its contents by the present owners, the Vermont Savings Bank on Friday afternoon, August 17th. The property once the largest boarding house in town was prosperous and always filled o capacity during the summer seasons. In recent years it had been used by Dr. Hubbard and by Valley Vista Inn. However it has been unused and closed for a long period. Nearly all the former contents were sold at satisfactory prices but when the real estate was offered for bids, they came scantly with hesitation. The property was sold to Emmitt Van Valkenburg of this town for \$2,050 who expects to make repairs and improvements and remodel into several individual apartments.

### Ration Board Changes

Mrs. Charles Kehl, who for several years has served as clerk of the

Mrs. Mary Jurkowski, wife of John J. Jurkowski, of Main Street died Saturday evening August 11th at the Information received at the recent Farren Memorial Hospital at the age of 50 years. She was born in Austria her husband, they have been residents in Northfield for the past 27 years. Surviving beside her husband, daughters, Mrs. Howard Skinner; Mrs. Walter Sadlowski of Greenfield: and Miss Beatrice Jurkowski at home.

Marys cemetery.

### Summer Resident Dies

Mrs. Charles Allen Jones passed away in Greenfield Saturday August 6 at the age of 83 years. She had spent nearly every summer since 1911 in Northfield at her summer home on Wood Way on the Ridge.

She was born in West Deerfield, and lived over 50 years in Greenfield. She was active in the First Baptist Church of which she was the oldest living member. For several years she made her home with her son, Prof. Francis L. Jones of the State Teachers College, Worcester.

She was a member of the Dorothy Quincy Hancock Chapter, D.A.R., and a charter member of the Parent-Teacher Assn.

Surviving besides her son are her daughter, Mrs. Catherine J. Johnston of Worcester, another son, Raymond W. D. Jones of Atlanta, Ga., two granddaughters, the Misses Lucille D. Johnston of Worcester and Mary Jane Jones of Atlanta, and a sister, Mrs. Arthur C. Raymond of Green-

The funeral services were held the following Wednesday in Greenfield and burial was in Green River cemetery.

#### Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon F. Pyper of Mount Hermon announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Carolyn Pyper, to Lieut, Norman Buker, USAAF, the son of Rev. Harold W Buker, D.D. and Mrs. Buker of New London, N. H.

#### Accident Was Fatal

Miss Helen Lillian Savcheff, daughof Main Street died at her home on Saturday evening, August 11th as the in an accident while riding her bicycle on the day previous. Friday. Miss Savcheff, who is spending the summer vacation from school at her home was riding her bicycle down the street with her mail and while reading evidently some paper, crashed into the rear end of a parked truck. She received serious injuries and was attended by Dr. F. Wilton Dean who was called.

At first the injuries were not considered serious but suddenly on Saturday she took a turn for the worse and died. Miss Savcheff was born July 18, 1923 and had resided here for the past 12 years. She attended the local schools and graduated from Northfield School for Girls in 1941. For three years she has attended the College of Music in Boston University and would have become a senior Buys A Parsonage this fall. She was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, treasurer of her class and vice president of the Richards co-operative home, where she lived.

Miss Savcheff was an accomplished musician and often appeared before local organizations and churches in public programs. She is survived by her parents, a sister Gloria, and her grandmother Mrs. Helen Koeff.

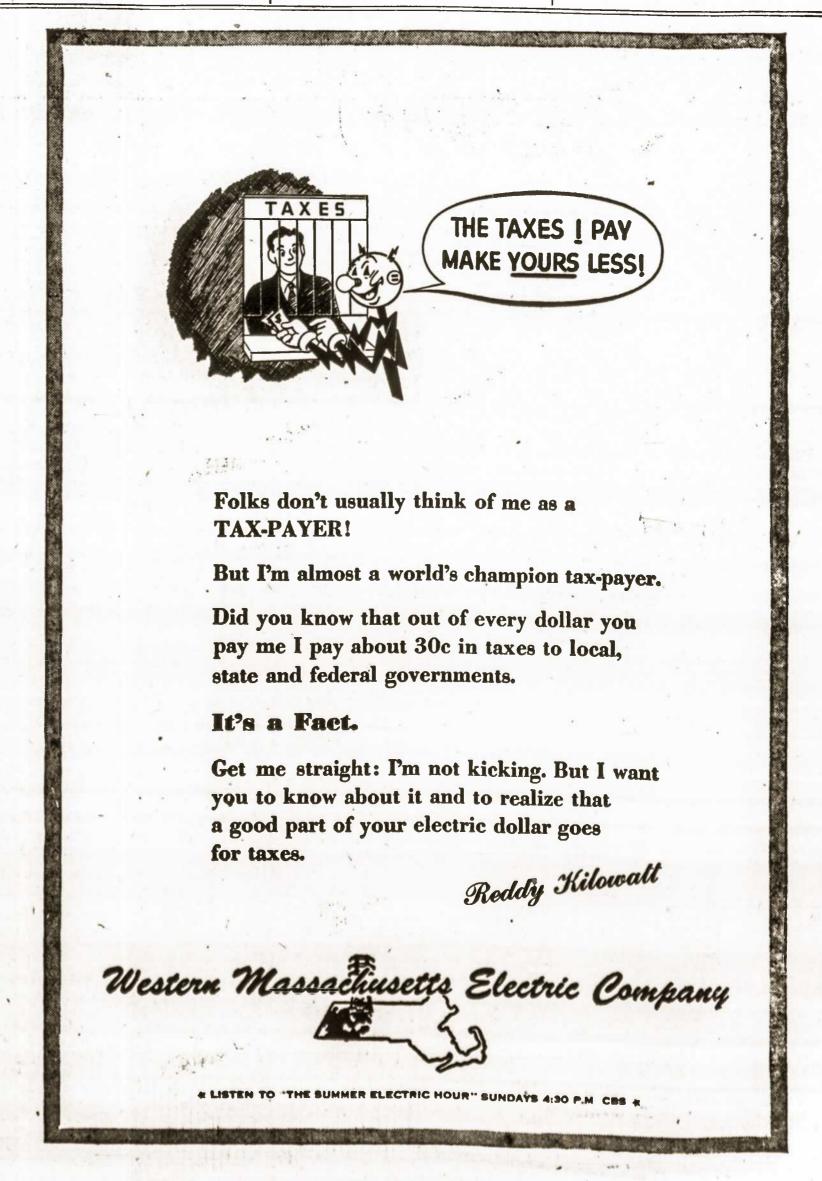
Funeral services were held at the Congregational Church Tuesday aft-

### Loses Arm In China

Many of our residents will rememter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Savcheff ber the late Dr. Rufus A. Torrey, an associate with the late Dwight L. Moody, who with his wife and famresult of injuries which she received ily had their home on Winchester road. In the present war their son Rufus was serving as a liaison officer between the Chinese and the American troops in western China as a civilian with the U.S. Army. Information has come that he met with an accident on July 19 which necessitated the amputation of his right arm near the shoulder. He was in an army truck when the truck in front ran into an explosion the nature of which is not revealed. His arm was barly smashed and he was taken to a hospital for the operation and is now reported as in good condition. His mother and his wife have made their home in Wheaton, Ill. for the past five years. Mr. Torrey was well known by many of his former associates here.

The trustees of the Unitarian Church has purchased the former residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Howard on iBrnam Road, which will be used as the home and parsonage of Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler recently called as minister of church who will begin her service after September first.

ernoon with Rev. Joseph W. Reeves and Rev. Edward Dahl officiating and burial was in the Center cemetery.



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A con was born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Browning, Jr. of this town at the Farren Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, August 15 Grandson of John Marcey of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Browning of the Farms.

Mrs. Clarence Griggs and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Newton of Winchester Road recently-had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Griggs of Troy, N. Y. and Mrs. Jessie Greenia and daughter Millison of Binghamton,

The hCeshire County aFir will be zey Thursday, Friday, Saturday September 6, 7 and 8. Further announcements of the program are awaited.

The Federated Church of Winchester, N. H. has called to its pastorate the Rev. E. A. Flory from the Community Church of Hudson, N. H. to succed the Rev. John R Gee who resigned last April.

The Franklin County Fair will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 10, 11 and 12 as announced by President Fred B. Dole. Preparations are going forward rapidly to ensure it being a big suc-

Rev. Merrill Miles Moore of Bethlehem, Pa., who is at his summer home here officiated at the funeral of John F. Styles of Millers Falls, Wednesday afternoon August 15.

The Press is officially informed that the eighth war loan, to be known as the Victory Loan will be inaugurated early in October with the usual campaign proceedure. Publicity will be launched shortly.

The Rev. D. O. Cowles of East Orange, N. J. and members of his family are occupying their cottage in the Pine Grove section of the Ridge.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. David B. Hammond of this town in the Franklin County Hospital on Thursday August 9; grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Pexton of New York.

Mrs. Roger Greenwood of Main St. has been enjoying a vacation stay with friends in Newport, R. I.

Charles C. Stearns and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed recently visited her sister, Miss B Wcinreerettbse eJffi\$t H ter, Miss Bernice Webster at Croton Falls, N. Y.

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Charles K. Ober of White Plains, N. Y. whose summer home here on "Obers Lookout" has been occupied for many years by the family, has again returned after a stay at the Beverly, Mass. hospital where he had undergone an operation. Nearly 90 held at Stafford Park in North Swan- years of age, Mr. Ober is in good health and his daughter Miss Marion Ober is caring for him. Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Ober, his son and family are at the summer home here also.

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